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SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN MISSILE LAUNCH: DEMARCHE DELIVERED TO  
AUSTRALIA

REF: STATE 33031

Classified By: Political Counselor James F. Cole. Reasons: 1.4(a)(b)  
(d)(h).

11. (U) We delivered reftel talking points and the President's April 5 statement, and drew from the "if asked" points, in an April 6 meeting with Assistant Secretary for Arms Control and Counter-Proliferation John Sullivan and Director for Counter-Proliferation Gerry McGuire of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

12. (C) In advance of a more considered response, our Australia interlocutors expressed general support for the U.S. position, which closely parallels the GOA view of the launch. They also registered disappointment that the UN Security Council, which had met a few hours earlier, was unable to reach a consensus on a response, and evinced frustration with the position of Russia and China. Sullivan was interested in whatever information we might be able to share regarding the details of the failure of the third stage and payload to reach orbit.

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